

Amendments to the Specifications:

This Listing of Paragraph(s), as below, will replace all prior versions of paragraphs in the present application; Paragraph [0048] is to be removed in its entirety and replaced with the amended version as below:

Listing of Paragraph(s):

[0048] A method and system has been disclosed for controlling the packet classification behavior of heterogeneous network processors using a network processor independent control application. Software written according to the present invention is to be stored in some form of computer-readable medium, such as memory, CD-ROM or transmitted over a network, and executed by a processor. Consequently, a computer program product embodied on a computer-readable medium is intended to include a computer readable data ~~signal~~ which, for example, may be transmitted over a network. Similarly, a computer data signal embodied in a carrier wave for enabling a computer to perform a process via a computer program product or computer-readable instructions embodied on a computer-readable medium is envisioned.

Although the present invention has been described in accordance with the embodiments shown, one of ordinary skill in the art will readily recognize that there could be variations to the embodiments and those variations would be within the spirit and scope of the present invention. Accordingly, many modifications may be made by one of ordinary skill in the art without departing from the spirit and scope of the appended claims.